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C O N F I D E N T I A L PRETORIA 2584

CAPE TOWN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
TAGS: EAIR, ESTC, SF
SUBJECT: AIRCRAFT SALES TO SOUTH AFRICA

REFERENCE: PRETORIA DAO IR-880-0194-78

1. EMBASSY WISHES TO DRAW THE ATTENTION OF THE DEPARTMENT
AND USDOC/OEA TO THE REFERENCED DAO PRETORIA MESSAGE WHICH
REPORTS A DECISION BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE TO DIS-
BAND THE AIR COMMANDOS. DECISION REPORTEDLY STEMMED FROM
SAAF DESIRE TO AVOID CONFLICTS WITH U.S. EMBARGO ON LIGHT
AIRCRAFT AND PARTS AND HIGHLY MARGINAL CONTRIBUTION OF AIR
COMMANDOS TO DEFENSE EFFORT.

2. IF REPORT IS CONFIRMED AND SAAF DECISION RATIFIED BY
CABINET, THIS WILL CONSIDERABLY REDUCE POTENTIAL FOR USE OF
U.S.-MANUFACTURED AIRCRAFT IN UNAUTHORIZED MANNER AND SIMPLIFY
ADMINISTRATION OF NEW PROVISIONS OF EXPORT LICENSE.
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